

# House Study Bill 61 - Introduced

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE RESOLUTION BY  
CHAIRPERSON SODERBERG)

1 A Resolution opposing regulation of greenhouse gases  
2 pursuant to the federal Clean Air Act.

3 WHEREAS, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)  
4 has released an advance notice of proposed rulemaking  
5 which describes a nationwide scheme to regulate  
6 greenhouse gases under the Clean Air Act; and

7 WHEREAS, if the EPA pursues such regulation,  
8 it should require additional action from Congress  
9 clarifying and specifying the EPA's legal and  
10 regulatory obligations with respect to greenhouse  
11 gases; and

12 WHEREAS, the EPA's plan to regulate greenhouse  
13 gases is very expansive in scope, envisioning a  
14 nationwide cap and trade program for greenhouse gases,  
15 additional motor vehicle regulations, and economy-wide  
16 restrictions impacting a wide range of industries  
17 including dairy and beef operations, office buildings,  
18 hospitals, schools, large homes, houses of worship, and  
19 even regulating the greenhouse gas emissions from lawn  
20 mowers, among other things; and

21 WHEREAS, the United States Court of Appeals for the  
22 District of Columbia has recently ruled that the EPA  
23 does not have authority to carry out a cap and trade  
24 plan under the Clean Air Act; and

25 WHEREAS, the EPA's plan constitutes policymaking,  
26 which is the prerogative of the legislative branch of  
27 government; and

1 WHEREAS, climate change is a global issue, not a  
2 local or regional pollution issue which the Clean Air  
3 Act was designed to address; and

4 WHEREAS, the EPA's plan would impose a massive  
5 economic burden on this country without appreciably  
6 reducing worldwide concentrations of greenhouse  
7 gases; NOW THEREFORE,

8 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, That  
9 the House of Representatives is opposed to the EPA  
10 making an endangerment finding for greenhouse gases or  
11 pursuing regulation of greenhouse gases; and

12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this  
13 Resolution shall be sent to the members of Iowa's  
14 congressional delegation and to the administrator of  
15 the EPA.